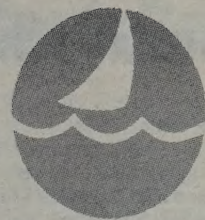


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Fundraising campaign gets underway

JAWS OF LIFE CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY — Fire Chief Bill Marcenluk presents campaign co-ordinator Russ Hebblethwaite with a \$1,000 cheque to start off the fund. Firefighter Doug Lee holds the graph showing the

grand total of \$19,166 which is needed to finance needed equipment for the Elk Point Volunteer Fire Department.

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Hearing scheduled

Elk Point Town Council has scheduled a Development Appeal Board hearing into the Municipal Planning Commission decision to approve a bingo hall in Elk Point, following receipt of five appeals on the development.

The Ukrainian Catholic and Ukrainian Orthodox churches, the Elk Point Elks Lodge and the Pioneer Circle, all of whom hold regular bingos in Elk Point, and the Heinsburg Community Club, which holds a weekly bingo in that area, have all filed appeals with the Town.

The appeals of the four in-town groups will be heard at a hearing scheduled for Wednesday, March 25 at 1:00 p.m. in Council Chamber. However, the Municipal Act does not permit the Town to hear an appeal from a group outside its municipal boundaries.

The appellants will be given written notice ten days in advance of the hearing.

Council dealt with their varied agenda in short order Monday evening, taking only two and a quarter hours to complete their business.

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Chamber of Commerce still alive

The Elk Point Chamber of Commerce is still alive, and appears to be emerging from its comatose state, following last Wednesday's well attended meeting.

A total of twenty eight former members and interested newcomers were on hand, and a motion to revive the Chamber was passed by a 15 to 4 vote majority, after a lengthy period of discussion.

"For a town of this size to not have a Chamber of Commerce, is a disgrace," stated Karen Reed, who put forth the motion for re-establishment. "We need the Chamber to represent our town," she continued, urging those present to "network and work together" to build a strong organization.

Treasurer Allan Frankiw, who serves as one of Town Council's representatives to the Chamber, said that one important function of the Chamber is provide liaison between the Town and the business community. He also felt that the Chamber could "play an important role in economic development of Elk Point".

Ed Buck emphasized that if the Chamber is going to succeed, it needs "a strong nucleus from the business community". Buck noted that over twenty retail businesses were not represented at the meeting, nor were any professionals on hand.

Billie Friesen, who had phoned all the businesses to invite representatives to attend the meeting, said she had explained the Chamber's need for input when she called, and also pointed

out that it is essential the people know what the Chamber does to help Elk Point.

Onetime Chamber President Frank Mayner also expressed a reluctance to see the Chamber fold. He added that it would be unfair to "force the Town to run the Tourist Booth" and to take over other functions normally performed by the Chamber. He suggested that even if a full-scale Chamber is not revived, a 'caretaking committee' or low-key Chamber be formed to take care of the Chamber's traditional functions.

Former Chamber executive members Lloyd and Carol Metz also urged that the Chamber be carried on. However, Mrs. Metz noted that one of the strongest requirements for a revitalized Chamber is a "good president

who can keep everybody motivated" and who will "figure on putting in the commitment to do a good job."

Ed Buck concluded the discussion on the motion by voicing his conviction that the president needs good people on the executive to work with, so that the Chamber gains a sense of accomplishment. There is also a need to get the people involved who are directly affected by the Chamber, he said, adding that "if enough business people get involved, each could do just one thing a year and still make the Chamber viable."

Following passage of the motion to revive the Chamber, Ed Buck and Ed Gregoraschuk suggested that an ad hoc committee be formed to decide the future direction and guidelines for the

Chamber. The two volunteered to spearhead the committee and to find three additional people to work with them on it. The committee will bring back their recommendations to the next Chamber meeting, which has been scheduled for April 1.

The Chamber bid a sad farewell to Lloyd and Carol Metz, who have sold their business in Elk Point and are heading for a sunnier climate. Mrs. Metz reminisced that the years they have spent as part of the Chamber have been a very worthwhile experience, and that she sincerely hopes that the Chamber will be rejuvenated. She concluded that "we certainly aren't going away forever" and will be back to see how Elk Point and its Chamber are progressing.

Grand Exalted Ruler visits Elks

The Grand Exalted Ruler of the B.P.O. Elks Lodge of Canada, Tom Cuming, visited Elk Point last Tuesday, and was entertained by the Elk Point Elks at a dinner, followed by their regular monthly meeting.

Mayor Byron Mann was on hand, along with the lodge executive, at the dinner, and welcomed G.E.R. Cuming to Elk Point. Mann expressed gratitude for the many good works done by the Elks in Elk Point and district, and presented Cuming with a copy of the area's history book, "Reflections".

Elks from both the local lodge and other lodges in the district turned out in large numbers for the meeting which followed, and heard a most interesting address on the many worthwhile projects undertaken by Elks lodges across Canada.

Cuming, a resident of Calgary, and formerly of the Crossfield area north of Calgary, is a charter member and Past Exalted Ruler of the Crossfield B.P.O.E., and served as the Alberta Elks President in 1974-75. After moving to Calgary, he transferred to Calgary Lodge

Number 4, where he served as a Lodge officer for several terms, and is a Past Exalted Ruler of that lodge also.

As Grand Exalted Ruler, Cuming has set a theme of "Achievement by Action". He firmly believes that nothing can be achieved by a lodge without action on the part of its members.

Cuming also believes that the Elks and Royal Purple can work together with confidence in their abilities to enhance the image of both lodges, to promote the principles and objectives of the Order and to increase membership.



B.P.O.E. GRAND EXALTED RULER — Tom Cuming is welcomed to Elk Point by Mayor Byron Mann, who presented the distinguished visitor with a copy of the local history book.

Council schedules hearing

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An amended proposed franchise agreement between the Town and Elk Point Gas Ltd. was distributed to Council for their study, in preparation for an in-depth review at the March 16 council as a committee as a whole meeting.

Two applications were received for the vacancy on the Buckingham House Management Board. Council voted to accept Rev. Sam Donaldson to the Board, effective immediately.

A vacancy on the Library Board was also approved, with Louise M. Krissa accepted to fill this position.

Administrator Pat Vincent reported that seven appeals have been received against the annual assessment, and a resolution of Council set April 8 at 6:30 p.m. as date and time for a Court of Revi-

sion to hear and deal with these complaints.

Council approved in principle a budget, presented by the Municipal Airport Commission, reserving the right to amend their decision when the Town budget is formulated. The Airport Commission Budget has been trimmed substantially from last year's figures.

Bylaw 448/87, dealing with Disclosure of Interests, received second and final readings, with some amendments made in the interest of clarification and simplification.

Councillor Kachmar reported that the Man In Motion campaign is in full swing, with over \$500 collected to date, many more donations expected, and the collection cans in local businesses still to be gathered up and counted.



DOWN IT GOES — The front portion of the Arrow Theatre was bulldozed last week, in preparation for

moving the main part of the structure out of town.

Photo by Ron Barwick

The Town of

Elk Point



Notices & Information

ANNUAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that an annual meeting of the electors of the Town of Elk Point will be held in the Lodge Room of the Elks Community Hall, at 7:00 p.m., Monday, March 30, 1987 for the discussion of the affairs of the town.

all electors of the Town of Elk Point are entitled to attend and participate in the discussion of municipal affairs.

Dated at Elk Point this 24th day of February, 1987.

L.P. (Pat) Vincent
Municipal Administrator

Firefighters kick off fundraising

By Russ Hebblethwaite

The "Jaws of Life" fundraiser campaign officially started Monday with the presentation of a \$1,000 cheque, donated by the Elk Point Volunteer Firemen. Fire Chief, Bill Marceciuk, turned over the cheque to Russ Hebblethwaite, campaign coordinator and president of the Elk Point Firefighters Association, a new organization formed to raise money for such things as special tools like the "Jaws of Life" and for the "Firemen's Burn Centre".

As the fund graph indicates, a goal of \$19,166.00 is necessary to purchase the "Jaws" and related equipment.

The "Jaws" are operated by a double acting hydraulic cylinder. When activated to open they act as a spreader, when closing they act as cutting shears. The "Jaws" are used by trained Fire Department personnel to free persons trapped as a result of a vehicle accident. Life giving time is saved and further injury and pain spared by getting persons out quickly and in a manner that they may be handled as carefully as possible by ambulance attendants.

Additional equipment that compliments the "Jaws" and that are included in our goal are:

A double acting ram with further spreading and pulling abilities, two air bags for lifting or stabilizing loads of up to 40 metric tons each, fire proof blanket, come-along, pry-bar, and chains, etc.

I'm sure we all realize the importance of such equipment. Accidents are indiscriminate and can happen to anyone, anytime. Let's all pull together in a concerted effort to bring these tools to our community. We will be canvassing local service groups, oil companys, governments, etc. We will also accept any personal donation you may have to offer.

We thank you in advance for your consideration and look forward to demonstrating our new equipment for all of you during the Canada Day Celebrations.

Please make out personal donations to: "Jaws of Life" and send to Box 727, Elk Point, Alberta, T0A 1A0 or call Russ Hebblethwaite, 724-3131.

Historical Society meets

By Irene Magnusson

Elk Point celebrates the 80th anniversary of the arrival of the first permanent white settlers to the district in this year of 1987, with "Homecoming" themes and a major Canada Day commemoration. The Historical Society members met to discuss their share in the coming events, on February 24th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Library.

With their very limited membership, the group are reluctant to undertake anything major. Yes, there will be a "guest book" type map, for all to sign, once again created by Mary Bennet. In addition the group will be dispensing pins and buttons of one sort or another. Suggestions were put forth on creating a display, perhaps a billboard - but the treading became a bit sticky when it came to producing a 'stage show.' A few suggestions came up, but it was

agreed to leave them until the next meeting.

There will definitely be an entry in the parade, those present agreed. Other matters attended to were the financial report, which showed a slight gain over the past year; a suggestion that the Society get a letterhead on their stationary, with the Historical Society's logo, as on the pin; that they purchase a photo album, as many photos are handed in from time to time, and these need a safe place. Mrs. Borowsky has a "guest book" only partly filled at the 1980 Homecoming, and this can be used again, this year.

The Society welcomes photos of historical events, and also of old buildings of the area, especially any with historical information available.

Chairman Frank Mayner adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

F.G. Miller news

By Joanne Giguere

Education Week at the school turned out pretty well. The noon-hour activities were a success.

Here are only a few of the event winners, as some events were still going on as I wrote this article. On Monday the teachers won the Snow Soccer, on Tuesday, the tug of war was won by all who had a pull in the matter, and on Wednesday, Rob Hippisley won the Snow Golf. Dennis Pelletier, Corey Vogel, James Capjack, Stewart Peterson, and Bradley Anderson won the ski relay on Thursday.

Next week I will report on the sled races and the winners of the snow sculptures as well as the dance.

The Science Fair was held in the gym on Friday, March 6, but because of my deadline I'll have to fill you in on the details next week.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all who participated in the annual Search for Talent, as it is only with such participants that events like this can take place. So once again, Thanks!!!

The Town of

Elk Point



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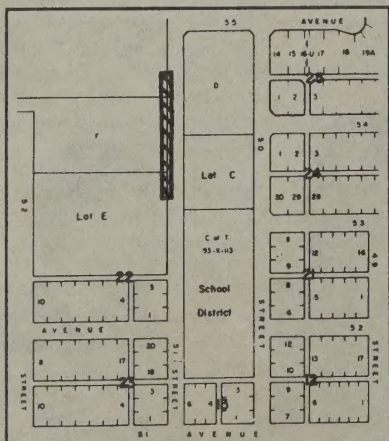
BYLAW 447/87

Parking Prohibited on 51st Street

NOTICE IS HEREBY SERVED that the Municipal Council of the Town of Elk Point at their February 23, 1987 regular meeting gave third and final reading to ByLaw 447/87 to amend Traffic ByLaw 347.

UNDER THE PROVISIONS of ByLaw 447/87 vehicle parking is prohibited on a portion of 51st Street:

1. That ByLaw 347 be amended to include the following:
 - a. that parking be prohibited on the west side of 51st Street commencing at a point thirty (30) meters north of the northern property boundary of Lot F, Plan 792 3062 continuing southerly to a point thirty (30) meters south of the northern property boundary of Lot E, Plan 584M.C.



Vehicle parking being prohibited in this area is deemed prudent and expedient for the safety of the participants and spectators utilizing the facilities of the A.G. Ross Agriplex.

DATED at Elk Point this 24th day of February, 1987.

L.P. (Pat) Vincent
Municipal Administrator
Town of Elk Point

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Myziuk wins Men's Open

A Bonnyville rink skipped by Karl Myziuk swept past Johnny Doonanco's Glendon rink in a ninth end decision for the Grand Challenge trophies at the Elk Point Men's Open Bonspiel this past weekend.

In addition to the Canadian Salt trophies, the Myziuk rink took home combination portable television/radios, while the Doonanco rink received telephone answering machines.

Cosy vests went to the D. Senecal rink, in third place, while the fourth place Rocque rink took home stainless steel thermoses.

The Second Event went right down to the wire, with a 9-9 tie after 9 ends, and the final rocks within inches of one another on the four foot circle. Glendon's Randy Mack skipped the winning rink, which was presented with the Zarowny Motors trophies and a prize of curling shoes. Halogen driving lamps went to the second place John Warholik rink from St.

Paul. While the third place Elk Point Hotel rink received socket sets and the fourth place Jim Fell rink received fishing boxes and dart boards.

Two Elk Point rinks drew much attention from the fans in the Third Event final, with the JMB Crushing Systems trophies going to the Elk Point Ambulance rink, skipped by Leonard Gadowski, along with a prize of portable gas barbecues. Briefcases and calculators went to the second place rink, skipped by Steve Penz. Third place prize of knives went to the Barrie Young rink, while fourth place prize of mini air compressors went to the St. Paul rink skipped by Orest Paulichuk.

Bonspiel prizes were donated by Phil's Hardware and Variety, Custom Sound, Acklands, East End Rentals, Work Wearhouse, Champ's Sports, St. Paul and District Co-op, Lakeland Printing and the Curling Club.



GRAND CHALLENGE WINNERS — Winning the Canadian Salt trophies were (back row, l-r): Karl Myziuk, Rod Carrothers, Marty Lalonde and Colin McLennan of

Bonnyville who defeated (front, l-r): John Doonanco, Albert Karas, Bill Baron and Harvey Kryzanowski of Glendon in the final game.



SECOND EVENT CHAMPIONS — Accepting the Zarowny Motors trophies from Jack Zarowny, were (back l-r): Randy Mack, David Dwan, Wally Mack and Lawrence

Hyshka of Bonnyville. Runners-up were (front, l-r) John Warholik, Henry Smyl, Lawrence Ference and Leonard Senecal.



THIRD EVENT WINNERS — With the JMB Crushing Systems trophies were (back, l-r) Leonard Gadowski, Terry Gusnowski, Fred Lambright and John Gusnowski,

while runners-up were (front, l-r) Steve Penz, Murray Babcock, Doug Lindquist and Maurice Ringuette.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

The Community of Stavelly is planning a Homecoming to celebrate the Town's 75th Birthday. It will be July 3rd, 4th and 5th, 1987. Many fun events for all ages are being scheduled.

The planning committee is anxious to get word of this to folks who have lived in the area or anyone who is interested in coming. To help the committee know how many to prepare for, it would be appreciated if those planning to attend would contact the Town Office in Stavelly or write Box 249, Stavelly by May 1st.

Thank you for allowing us space in your paper to tell about our event.

Sincerely,
Stavelly Homecoming Committee

IRISH STEW SUPPER

Will be held in the

Elk Point United Church Hall
on

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Elk Point Service Club Funspiel

March 27 & 28, 1987

We at the newly formed ELK POINT FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION do hereby cordially invite your group to enter a rink (2 if you wish and we have the space) in our upcoming mixed funspiel.

The idea behind this function is to create an opportunity for all members of the different organizations to meet and have a good time together.

This spiel is open only to group members and spouses (eg: Elks, Lions, Ag. Society, etc.) and is going to be limited to 16 rinks. Entry fee per rink is \$80. Curling will start Friday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. and will be finished by supper time (approx. 6:00 p.m.) Saturday, March 28. Supper included with entry fee.

Deadline for entries is March 15/87.

For further information or to enter please call
Armand Houle at 724-4329 (work)
or 724-3170 (home)

Not much to celebrate

It's Agriculture Week, but the celebration and rejoicing in this fact is noticeably lacking, at least among those who endeavor to make their living from the land.

It isn't easy to exude cheer when your livelihood is on the line. For altogether too many farm families, this may be their last crop -- if, in fact, they can scrape together the cash or the credit to put it in.

It's hard to borrow money when the headlines shriek "Farm Crisis -- Wheat Board cuts grain prices for fall," and when equity in the land is washed away in a tide of red ink.

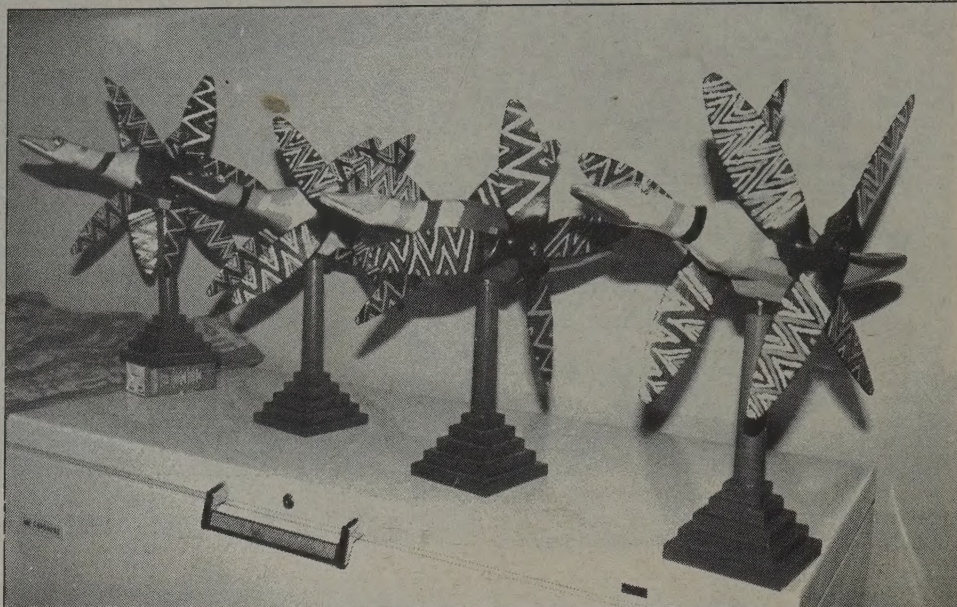
The federal and provincial governments are trying to help, they say, but often, it's a case of "too little", "too late" and even "not applicable". For example, the plan designed to re-train farmers and their families forced off the land for, other jobs is only receiv-

ing about nine applications per week, from across the nation, and the government is wondering why. Don't they remember that the plan is for those forced off their land by foreclosure -- and few are actually being forced off, because there is a moratorium of farm foreclosures in effect?

Many of the applicants for other farm-help programs are finding they have too much or too little equity to qualify, and that they can't get a subsidy to help to pay for their fertilizer unless they can pay for the fertilizer first.

The old-timers tell us to take heart, that things were this bad, and worse, before and that they got better. Perhaps we should take their advice, and try just one more time.

You never know,-- this could be "next year" we've all been waiting for, for what seems like a long, long time.



READY TO FLY NORTH? — No, these ducks will stay with you for a lifetime, and never need to be fed or watered. Kost Pawlyk who has lived in Elk Point for 53 years, built the ducks as a winter craft project.

F.C.S.S. News

By Marnie McCowan

What is F.C.S.S.? We are Family and Community Support Services, and our program's philosophy is "people helping people help themselves".

The Family and Community Support Services program was established by the provincial government in 1966 in order that municipalities could meet their own unique needs. Since that time the program has undergone tremendous growth and change.

Originally called Preventative Social Services (P.S.S.), the program underwent a review in 1980. In June 1981 the Family and Community Services Act was passed. This act forms the legal basis of the program. It states that the Province (Minister of Community and Occupational Health) may enter into an agreement with a municipality to run a program or when more than one municipality runs a joint program, the Minister enters an agreement with one municipality acting on behalf of the others.

The total share of the provincial budget is approximately \$32,000,000.00 for 1986/87. Over 2,000,000 Albertans have access to programs or services through F.C.S.S.

F.C.S.S. is an optional program. A municipality may choose to become involved in F.C.S.S. by signing an agreement with the Province. When a municipality establishes an F.C.S.S. program, the Province will contribute up to 80% of the cost of the program. The other 20% must be contributed by the participating municipalities.

Audited financial statements and annual program information reports are required by the Minister. Within these reports we must include an audit of each service reserving funds, and an audit of Planning and Administration funds.

These reports are carefully scrutinized by the Province. Any unexpended funds, non-cost sharable items, or inappropriate projects will be noted here, and the next year's funding will be affected accordingly. For this reason, careful management and policies by the local F.C.S.S. Board is imperative.

The F.C.S.S. Regulation explains what the F.C.S.S. program can and cannot do, and sets funding requirements and procedures. The Provincial allocation is based on the population residing within the F.C.S.S. program boundaries.

We receive two kinds of funds;

1. Administration and Planning funds - used for the overall ad-

ministration, planning and management of the program.

2. Program Funds - used to cover expenses of providing a direct service, training staff and volunteers, and paying staff. These funds are not transferrable.

Although the Province does have regulations and boundaries for the F.C.S.S. program, it allows us to meet the needs in our community. The Province does not tell us what we need here, we tell the Province. As long as it fits the criteria set forth as "preventative" the need has been established, and has strong community support, the idea can be brought to the local FCSS Board for consideration.

We have the ability and resources to enhance family and community life.

More important than the F.C.S.S. program legalities is the underlying philosophy of "people helping people help themselves".

More to come in our next article;

Tough Love - There will definitely be a Tough Love Group forming in Elk Point. If you are interested in knowing more about Tough Love or

joining the group, please call us at 724-3800.

Welcome Package - We had the pleasure of visiting two new families during the past two weeks. Welcome to Elk Point Mr. and Mrs. Mahon, and Mr. and Mrs. Walker.

Understanding Grief and Loss - I attended this excellent workshop in St. Paul on February 17, 1987. A support group will be formed in Elk Point. We'll have more information for you in the near future.

Seniors Van Transportation - Thank you Bob Paynter and Bill Jennisen for volunteering to be drivers for this service!

Community Calendar - We have a Community Calendar on the wall across from the F.C.S.S. Office. Organizations and Clubs can call in with dates for main events, eg. Ukrainian Dance Concert, May 12, 1987; 4-H Achievement Day, June 6, 1987 and they would be posted on the calendar. This would allow organizations and clubs to call in and check that their plans would not be conflicting with other major events.

Happy St. Patrick's Day, everyone!

Red Cross--need grows

By Irene Magnusson

Throughout March volunteer canvassers will be making their rounds, asking, hoping, pleading for and expecting generous contributions from each of us for the Red Cross' activities in Alberta, Canada and the World.

What activities, you ask? Many. Including practical aid to disaster victims, massive amounts of food, medical assistance, and education to many areas of the world. We know Red Cross Workers are always "on the spot" at the earliest time when natural calamities occur - fires, floods, earthquakes, hurricanes - as well as the devastation of war.

For one small illustration of potential calls on the Red Cross Blood Program, please see page 164, of March Reader's Digest, 2nd paragraph. They are speaking about a man, smashed to a pulp in a motor acci-

dent, after he gets to the hospital: "and the team began pumping in 16 units of unmatched O-type blood mixed with saline, and 15 250-cc units of fresh-frozen plasma."

Further on, on page 166, 2nd paragraph in the 2nd column "Altogether he needed nearly 33 litres of blood, more than six times the normal capacity of his body."

Where did all that blood, the platelets, plasma, red cells, etc., come from? Donated, of course, by caring citizens - but through the Red Cross, with their planning and know-how - and supported by the donations YOU give those volunteer canvassers.

The above story happened in Ontario, but it can and does happen anywhere. None of us are immune to accidents.

Give generously.



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"Second Class Mail Registration Pending"

Hospital Auxiliary meet

By Irene Magnusson

The regular February Hospital Auxiliary meeting commenced at 8:00 p.m., Monday, the 23rd, with fourteen members present. Most brought crochet hooks, and were soon into creating little green shamrocks, in readiness for tray favors for St. Patrick's Day.

Minutes of the January meeting were dealt with, and accepted. Treasurer Violet McFadyen reported that income had exceeded expenses in the past month, leaving the Auxiliary in good standing. The Memorial fund has received several donations, and the canteen is doing well, with a good inventory of supplies on hand. There is yarn available for handwork, if anyone wishes to create for the canteen sales shelf.

Requests were made for representatives to the 'Giant' Aux. Regional Conference in Edmonton, March 12 and 13th. No volunteers came forward, but possibly McFadyen can go. Two are requested.

Delegates to the National Convention in Montreal, April 28th to May 1st, are also required, but the cost is high, and the prospect didn't draw any volunteers.

Teresa McCuaig and Irene Magnusson volunteered to serve as a nominating committee for the upcoming Annual meeting, March 23rd, 8:00 p.m. All committees should be prepared to give a report of their activities at the Annual meeting.

Diane Anderson, D. of N., would like volunteers to be visitors to patients who receive few visitors, especially in the Extended Care wing. She will have more information by next meeting.

Members were reminded that May 12 is Hospital Day, with traditionally a craft sale and tea, and to 'get busy' with needles, hooks, etc., for that event.

Chairman Wasy Elashchuk had made a number of tiny knitted 'chicks' in Easter colors, very attractive little critters. These were shown, and pattern given. They will see a purpose as tray favors in due course. An Afghan was offered in donation by Eva Vingie, for sale or raffle. This will be gratefully accepted.

The meeting closed, with refreshments and a few minutes time to chat and admire the crafts displayed.

Elk Point Atoms host Dome tournament



GLENDON ATOMS — Took home the championship from last weekend's tournament when they defeated the hosting Elk Point team. Rick Patroch presents the Dome Petroleum trophy.



ELK POINT ATOMS — "A" side runners-up.



BONNYVILLE ATOMS — "B" side winners.



GRAND CENTRE ATOMS — "B" side runners-up.

The Elk Point Atoms sponsored an eight team hockey tournament this past Friday and Saturday, with teams from Pierceland, Grand Centre, Bonnyville, Glendon, St. Paul, Two Hills and Vermilion invited to take part.

In the first round, Glendon squeaked by Bonnyville by a 4 - 3 score. St. Paul whipped Two Hills 6 - 1, Elk Point edged by Grand Centre 3 - 2 and Vermilion took Pierceland with a high score of 10 - 6.

The second round on the "A" side saw Glendon against St. Paul and Elk Point against Vermilion. Glendon won 6 - 1 as did Elk Point 7 - 2.

On the "B" side, Bonnyville defeated Two Hills 4 - 2 and Grand Centre took Pierceland 8 - 6.

Glendon and Elk Point then advanced to the "A" side final, which Glendon won 5 - 3. Scott Kaehn scored four goals for Glendon, with Shane Sabatier contributing the remaining goal, while assists came from Darryl Sabatier (2) and Paul Plaquin. Darcy Pankiw scored a pair for Elk Point, with the third scored by Kyle Sakowsky. Robyn Moroziuk and Jody Brovchenko each contributed two assists, while Brad Poitras and Tyson Stafford added one apiece.

Goalie David Pirnak was Glendon's Most Valuable Player, while Tyson Stafford took home Elk Point's MVP trophy.

On the "B" side, Bonnyville defeated Grand Centre by a large 7 - 1 margin. Ryan Yavis scored a hat trick for Bonnyville, with Scott Yavis and Luke Rodgers adding two apiece. Assisting were Mathew Mullen, Kevin Vachon, Greg Beaunoyer, Scott Yavis and Denis Mullen. Chad Dahleide scored the lone Grand Centre goal, off assists by Chris Loney and Jason Koslow. Grand Centre's

MVP was Travis Matchatis, while Denis Mullen won the Bonnyville MVP award.

The Elk Point Minor Hockey Association would like to offer sincere thanks to Dome Petroleum Limited, who sponsored the challenge trophy for the tournament, and also to the other sponsors: Elk Point Elks Lodge, Aarbo Ranching, Green Acres Sod Farms, Elk Point Lions Club, Langevin Engraving, J. Oryshchuk Trucking, East End Automotive, Champs Sports, JMB Crushing Systems Ltd., Elk Point Burger Bar, Double S Confectionery, Shady Lane Charolais, 3D General Service, Toronto Dominion Bank, CBM Confectionery, Phil's Allied Hardware, Empress Family Restaurant, St. Paul Beverages, B & R Eckel's Transport Ltd., Wolanuk's Fashions and Food, Elk Point UGG, Vogel's UFA, Porta Construction Ltd., John Wozniak Texaco, Country Bulk Foods, BMW Monarch, Alico Motor Inn, Elk Point Meat Processors, Bumper to Bumper, St. Paul Packers, Lakeland Oilfield Services Ltd., Fischer's Automotive, Denny's Auto Body, Imperial Building Centres, H. Lefebvre Construction, Elk Point Treasury Branch, Superior Propane, Elk Point Esso, Porta Welding Ltd., Alberta Wheat Pool, George's General Garage, Kehoe Air Dryers, Rocky Pine Oilfield, Anderson Gravel Hauling, Lindbergh Oilfield Equipment, Skolarchuk Auction Service, Sunshine Bus Lines, Sharkey's Bus Service, KK Lawrence Vacuum Services. Many thanks also to Marshall Moroziuk for organizing the tournament and producing the programs, and to Shane Brovchenko for his long hours in the timekeeper's booth.

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Scientists shine at F.G.M.

Displays covering numerous branches of science filled the gymnasium of F.G. Miller High School last Friday, as the students celebrated Education Week with their Science Fair.

From Astronomy to Zoology, from a simple test for starch to the complexities of fiber optics, the fair kept judges busy for several hours determining which displays should go on to the County level competition, which takes place at F.G. Miller High School today.

As students examined the displays, marveling at the operating robot and

reacting with a grimace to the cut-open frog, judges carefully examined each entry on a scientific basis, and awarded points accordingly.

The winners are as follows:
Grade 7: (1) Colin Bjorkman, (2) Kristin Kittlitz.

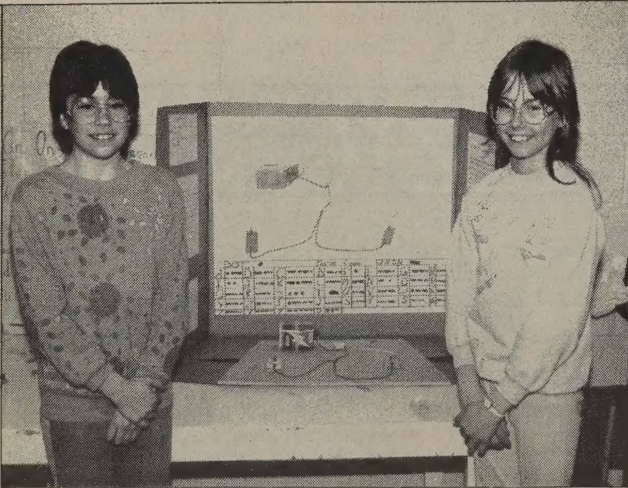
Grade 8: (1) Charlotte Lazicki and Barbara Naber, (2) Jessica Morris and Michelle Theriault.

Grade 9: (1) Elton Stone, (2) Star Zapesocki and Margaret Bayduza.

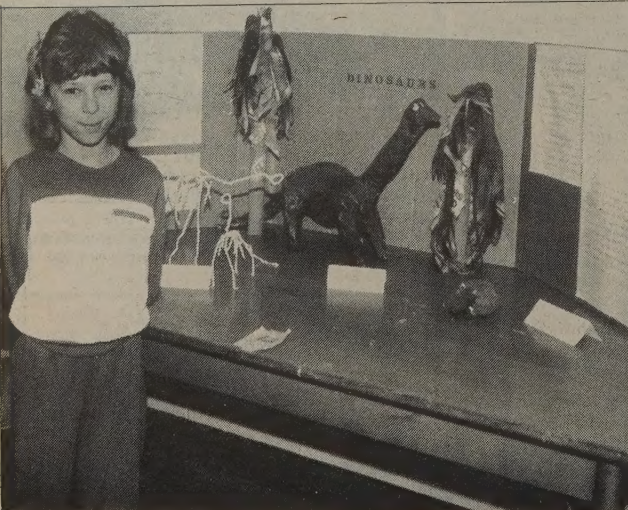
The Science 11 class was commended for their excellent working model of a water treatment plant. This will also enter the County competition.



NEW AND IMPROVED ROBOT — Alton Stone shows the fine points of his latest creation at the F.G. Miller Science Fair.



DOTS AND DASHES — Charlene Anderson and Tanya Stone's Science Fair display explained the use of Morse Code telegraphy.



EVER SEE A PIPECLEANERSAURUS? — Sharon Boratyne included one in her Science Fair display on dinosaurs.



WINNING ICE SCULPTURE — Features an Olympic theme.



ART PROJECT SHOWCASE — By Mr. Lazicki's students.

Elk Point Elementary open house

By Don Conrad

An estimated 400 visitors were treated to a very informative and entertaining evening on Wednesday, March 4, 1987 as the Elk Point Elementary School hosted their annual Education Week Open House.

The Science Fair, filled the gymnasium with 86 projects by aspiring young scientists from the school. Earlier in the day the Science Fair was adjudicated by Byron Mann, Debbie Bury, Lee Wruth, Janice Van Maaron, Louise Larson and Margaret Modin. Eight projects displayed by Sharon Boratyne, Richard Piotrowski, Greg Chalmers, Christine Seniuk, Tobey Conrad, Diane Baranowski, Dorothea Naber and Charlene Anderson/Tanya Stone were selected as outstanding projects and the comments in general by the adjudicators provided the students with invaluable information for future science fairs.

The hallways of the school were alive with colorful displays of students work from each classroom. The artistic and academic displays clearly indicated the abundance of talent we have in our community and the work our teachers are doing to develop it.

Becky Lore, District Home Economist, was on hand with a display and samples of nutritional snacks that could be included in a child's lunch. Her suggestions for making school lunches a little more interesting were appreciated by the many parents in attendance.

The Book Fair in the library was again very popular and well attended. The wide variety of books provided by Provincial News provided a good choice for readers of all ages. All the profits realized from the Book Fair will be used to buy books for the school library.

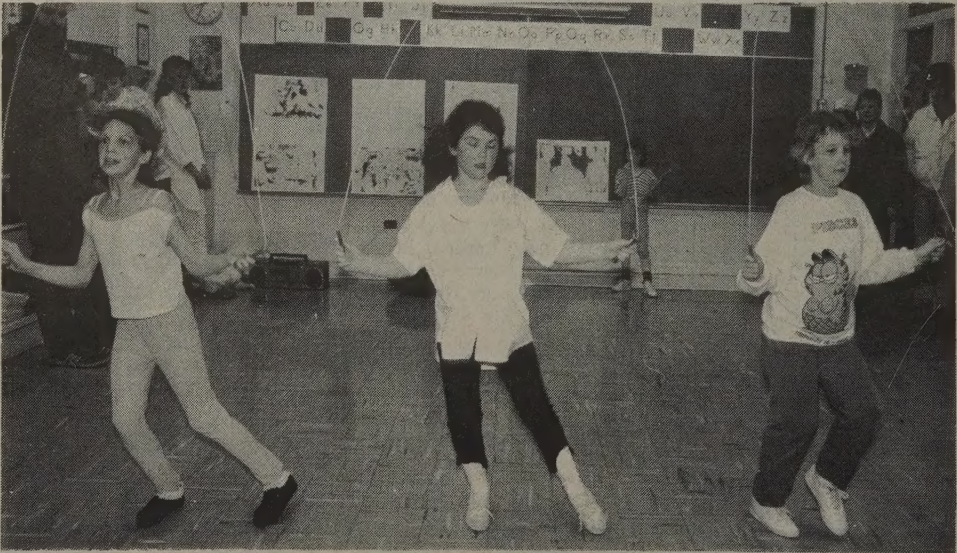
Mr. Eric Gordon, a parent and local

author, intrigued the young and young at heart with his story telling sessions held in the music room. Several selections, both modern and old, were brought to life by Mr. Gordon to entertain those in attendance.

The school skipping team, which was formed as a result of the school's participation in the Jump Rope for Heart Program kept everyone 'breathless' as they demonstrated the many intriguing moves and styles in skipping. The school's skipping program will culminate on April 23, 1987 when the grade sixes "Jump Rope For Heart" in an attempt to raise money for the Heart Foundation and

promote a healthy form of exercise.

Through the interest and enthusiasm displayed at the Elk Point Elementary School Open House it is clearly evident that Elk Point is a very educationally conscious community.



JUMP A ROPE FOR HEART — The Elementary School skipping team entertained a large crowd with

their breath-taking demonstration at the Open House Wednesday evening.

Dewberry School celebrates Education Week



By Dianne Brown
Dewberry School

On Thursday, February 19th, Dewberry School set into motion the activities it had planned for Education Week 1987. Learning sessions focussed on the theme "Learning For Life". The sessions that were offered: Aerobics (Cynthia Blacklock), Ambulance (Bill Fisher), Chinese Cooking (Bobby Braithwaite), Computers (Richard Bennett), Crib and other games (Deb Grey), Cross-Country Skiing (Henry Kozak), Curling (Holly Holmen), Guitar (Joyce Larson), Hockey and Reffing (Evan Finlay), Jazz Dance (Karen Hilts), Knitting (Elsie Jones), Painting (Lilian Ewen), Typing (Randy Ewasiuk). We extend our heartfelt thanks to each of the Community members and staff who agreed to teach these courses. They certainly added an extra-special dimension to our learning.

In all, approximately 114 students, the Staff and fifteen other adults participated in the two sets of classes that were presented in the morning. Delicious aromas wafting out of the staffroom attested to Bobby Braithwaite's skill as a Chinese Chef! And who could say Glen Stone isn't on top of things? We found him perched on a chair in Chinese Cooking, peering eagerly into the wok! The knitting classes began knitting headbands, and though the new knitters have many years to catch up to the sixty

years of experience that our instructor Elsie Jones has, they're on their way!

Mr. Ewasiuk's typing classes boasted Dewberry's future business executives. Numerous grade 1 and 2 students and some other participants got their first exposure to the keyboard. Mr. Ewasiuk commented that their response was great.

Aerobics and jazz dance helped many to get into shape. People of various ages came and worked at their own levels. A grade two girl commented, "she had worked so hard and sweated so much that her pants shrunk!"

Bill Fisher, from Lakeland Ambulance Service, along with his driver, Benny Dubitz, gave an excellent presentation on the services his agency provides. He explained what techniques were used to help accident victims and the varied uses of their life-saving equipment, such as the "Manual Jaws of Life" and the Anti-Shock Trousers. Lakeland Ambulance Service was established in July 1985, in Islay and offers the most advanced services available.

The afternoon activities started off with the Elementary House League Air Guitar Competitions, with the Firebirds winning points for both the most comical and the most polished music piece with their rendition Elvira! The Reach for the Top competitions provided a challenging contest to many of the students. Junior High and Senior High Air Guitar winners were Trojans for the most comical, with Kelly Maddex and Kimberley Blacklock doing a Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers number and the Firebirds for the most polished performance.

The hot dog sales from the past two weeks raised over \$158.00 for the Rick Hansen "Man in Motion Tour". Thanks to everybody for their support.

Mrs. Larson videotaped highlights of the day and took pictures as well with the new camera purchased through funds provided by the Alta. Teachers Association.

We say Thank You to all students, staff and community members who helped to make this a challenging, fun-filled day.

THE KINDERGARTEN CLASS — Toured the Dewberry Post Office on Feb. 20th, under the supervision of their Teacher Mrs. Judy Zeller (right) and Mrs. Brenda Wyness (left) The class (front l-r): Erin Isert, Kendra Thiessen, Joanna Norris, Adrian Dean, Marilyn Hilts, Lori Thompson, (back row l-r) Eric Wyness, Tyler Butz and Aaron Hansen each brought a letter to mail and were shown the basics by Postmistress, Phyllis Ewen. Later they stepped next door to the "Special Effects" Beauty Shop. The class observed Rhonda Ruberry give Brenda Wyness a shampoo and set, explaining types of conditioners and shampoos. Jean Bowman showed them how to set hair using rollers.

Daniels resigns-- nomination rescheduled

By Diane Parenteau

Fishing Lake - The general elections nomination meeting held in Fishing Lake February 25th, saw a strange turn of events when council chairman Ross Daniels resigned his position.

Mr. Daniels, a long time council member, tendered his resignation as nominations opened. Following a private discussion among council members, it was accepted.

The resignation for 'personal reasons', comes halfway through a two year term.

Only two dozen voting members attended the meeting, that was aimed at nominating candidates for three positions.

A motion was made to reschedule the nominations meeting to Monday, March 9th at 7:30 p.m. It was narrowly passed.

Seniors' meeting

A meeting of the newly formed Fishing Lake Seniors Association and

Mr. Ron Williams, representative from the New Horizons Project took place last week.

The Friday morning meeting was requested to get more information and answer questions concerning grants available to the Seniors group.

A proposal drawn up, outlined some basic need for establishing a seniors drop-in center on the settlement. Two trailers purchased by the Fishing Lake Settlement Council are in need of renovations, furniture and housewares.

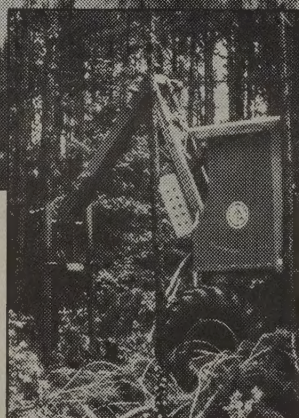
Mr. Ron Williams pointed out the New Horizons Project provides activity support grants averaging \$4,500.00 "used to carry out activities".

Monies are available for recreation equipment, furnishing - such as card tables and chairs, gametables - like shuffleboard and pool.

Some ground work has yet to be done before an application can be made to the project.

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Dewberry News

By Phyllis Ewen

Four members of the Lloydminster Lion's Club were guests of the Dewberry Lions on February 26. They enjoyed a meal catered to by the Lion's. After the meeting they were shown the Recreation Complex and Senior Citizens Center where a game of pool was enjoyed.

After curling this winter in Dewberry, Mabel Swanson and Jim McAllister from Rusylvia, leave for a six week holiday in Arizona. They will be meeting up with friends from the North West Territories. Instead of curling they will be taking up golfing. Mabel's sister, Stella, from Calgary is accompanying them.

Sympathy is extended to the Brett families. Mrs. Leona Thomas's (Brett) husband of Mannville passed away suddenly on the way home from a hockey game. Funeral services were held on March 2.

Friends of Melvin Bates, Edmonton, will be interested to know, Melvin plays third on the Fireman's Curling team. They won the playoffs in Edmonton and Wainwright. The team and their wives have an expense paid trip to Thunder Bay, Ontario. They play in the Annual Fireman's Bonspiel finals for Canada at the end of March.

Bob Oram had hip surgery in the Royal Alexander Hospital in Edmonton. Mrs. Rose Brett had cataract surgery in the Gimbel Eye Centre in Calgary. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

On Saturday afternoon, February 28, a large crowd gathered at the Dewberry Senior Citizens Center to honor Veril and Margaret Sweet on their 50th Wedding Anniversary, (actual date February 25). The number

attending indicated the high esteem the couple are held in the Community. The Greenlawn Ladies Club served a bountiful lunch. To complete the day, a family dinner was held in the evening at the Empress Restaurant in Elk Point, Alberta.

Mrs. Betty Kozak and Mrs. Coreen Still have just returned from a skiing trip to Whistler Mountain.

On March 1st, three Gideons from the Gideon Camp in Vermilion, conducted the Church Service at the United Church in Dewberry. Orlo Hutchinson, Ken Farkash, Royal Knap and their spouses arrived in time for the Adult Sunday School Classes. Afterwards they enjoyed an impromptu lunch at the home of Neal and Elsie Jones. This was followed by a time of visiting and good fellowship. On March 2, Maxine Hancock left for a speaking tour across the southern part of Australia. Maxine is sponsored by the "Christian Women Communicating International in

Australia". Her convention theme is "Does It Really Matter". Her first convention will be in Sydney. She returns April 16.

Carl and Donna Pearson left on their winter holiday, February 17. After flying into Dallas, Texas, they planned to travel by car to various sites. On the agenda was a trip to New Orleans, a stop over in Houston, which was to include a tour of the space center. Other stops included Corpus Christie and San Antonio. Their return flight is scheduled for March 5.

The H I S Group, Deb Grey, Lorraine Whiteside, Bonnie Robinson, Shelly Johnson and organist Meredith Whiteside, accompanied by Bonnie's husband Sandy and children Tammy and Jason, travelled to Eston, Sask., on March 1, 1987 weekend. On Saturday evening they did a full musical service, and sang during the Sunday morning Church service at the United Church. They brought greetings

home to everyone from Rev. Lamont, in the school at 7:30 p.m. After being who is now the Minister at St. Andrew's United Church in Eston. Rev. Public Speaking be held February 23. Lamont left Dewberry in July, 1985. The 4-H Beef Tour will be March 1. It was discovered the morning of Everyone to meet at Delbert Jones at March 3 that the Recreation Complex and Village Office had been illegally next meeting is March 16th. entered. A small amount of cash had been stolen.

Dewberry 4-H Beef Club report - after spending the winter working at The February 2nd meeting was held Valhalla Centre, Alberta.

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Heinsburg community newsletter

With the arrival of March, we can say that winter is almost over. Can Spring be far behind?

Education Week - March 2-6 "Learning Is For Life" - Because our modernization program of the school's physical plant is not complete, we will postpone our Education Week Activities for the time being.

However, we have participated in the displaying of our students work in conjunction with all schools within this jurisdiction of St. Paul. These displays will be in the St. Paul Co-op Mall from Tuesday, March 3-6.

Career Day, Mallag, March 5 - The grade XII class will be attending this event. The purpose of this day is to allow our students the opportunity to gain career information and make personal contacts with the various presenters.

Science Fair - The County of St. Paul Science Fair for all schools will be held on Wednesday, March 11 at

the F.G. Miller High School. This fair is open to the public for viewing. Feel free to attend.

Pictures - Wajo studios will be at school on Thursday, March 12, 9:00 a.m. to take individual pictures for those who wish them and retakes for students who previously missed their appointments. Senior group pictures will also be taken on this day.

Individuals who wish their pictures taken should contact the school secretary to make arrangements for their photos.

Western Days - On Friday afternoon, March 20, the student council will host their annual Western Day events. Students of grade 7-12 will be judged for best western dress, participate in various competitions and have a sock hop to the tunes of Country & Western music.

Public Speaking Showcase - This annual event will be held at the Ashmont Secondary School on Wednesday,

day, March 25. We will be sending a number of students to this event. There will be room for parents to travel with the students. If interested, please contact the school secretary.

Staff Meeting, Wednesday, March 18, 2:00 p.m. - Parents please arrange to receive your children home one hour earlier on this day.

Spring Break - Monday, March 30 to Friday, April 3 is Spring Break for schools within the County of St. Paul. This includes the Heinsburg Community School. Please note the change from the usual Easter Break.

The usual Good Friday will be a holiday - Friday, April 17. No classes on this day.

Further Education Classes - Heinsburg, Marie Zayac, Phone 943-3913 or 847-2238.

Speed Quilting - starting date March 9, 1987 - 7 to 10 p.m. Registration fee - \$6.75 plus cost of material, a list of supplies is available.

A pre-registration meeting will be set up, this will just be an informal session. If you are one who has not yet made up your mind, you are welcome to attend so as you will be able to see what is involved in making this quilt.

Other classes that have had interest shown are: Cake Decorating; Sewing Designer Jeans; Machine Embroidery.

4-H Multi Club - Calendar March 3 & 17 - Craft / Woodworking Sessions

March 9 - Pee Wee Work Session
March 14 - Public Speaking, Club Speak Off

March 21 - Sleigh Ride
March 22 - District Speak-Off
March 23 - Business Meeting

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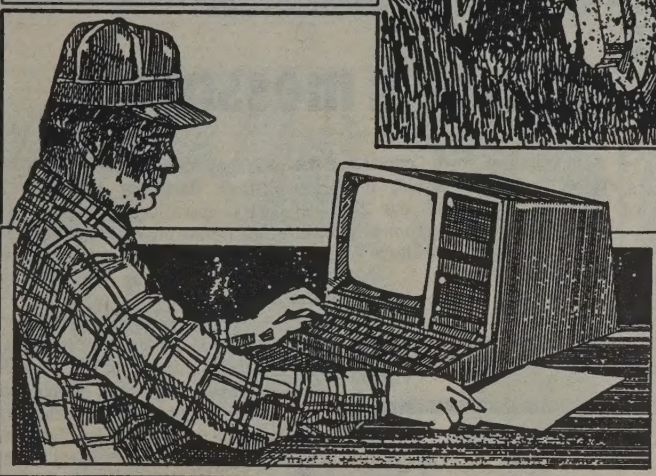
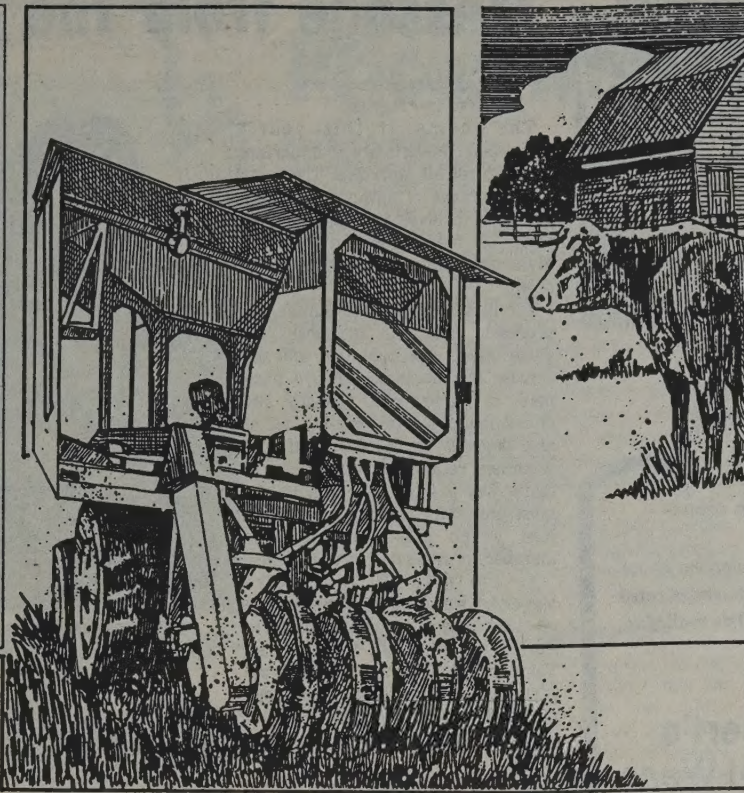
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Message from the Ministers

Agriculture Week 1987
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 The theme of this year's Agriculture Week bears an important message for all Albertans. The continuing success of agriculture in our province involves the combined efforts of many thousands of individuals from very different walks of life.

The farmer and the consumer, the processor and the producer, the government representative and the private businessman: all are partners in agriculture. Growth and development in our farming sector also depends on the cooperation of scientists, retailers and educators, to name just a few. And perhaps the most important partnership of all is that which exists between the members of Alberta's farm families.

As partners in agriculture ourselves, we would like to encourage all Albertans to become involved in Agriculture Week '87, March 8 - 14. Take advantage of this excellent opportunity to learn more about our province's most vital industry, and about the people, like you, who make it work.

On behalf of Alberta Agriculture, we are pleased to dedicate Agriculture Week to the farmers, ranchers, processors and agribusinessmen of our province — truly, Alberta's partners in progress.

Peter Elzinga
 Minister of Agriculture
 and
 Shirley Cripps
 Associate Minister of Agriculture



PARTNERS IN PROGRESS — Minister of Agriculture Peter Elzinga and Shirley Cripps, Associate Minister of Agriculture.

Mayor's message

On behalf of Town Council and the residents of Elk Point, it is my pleasure to extend our hardest greetings to all those people associated with Agriculture Week in the Elk Point area.

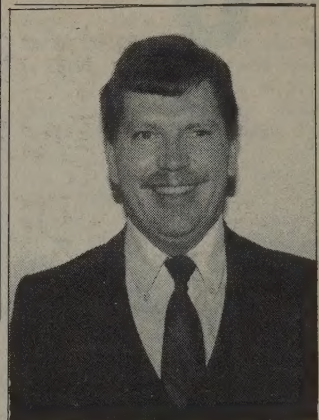
As we are all aware, agriculture still plays, and probably always will play, a vital role in our local and provincial economies. As spring ap-

proaches many farmers must make difficult decisions regarding this year's operations. With escalating costs, falling prices, reduced markets and full granaries some may even consider following the land for a year.

We hope that Agriculture Week will serve as an opportunity to exchange information with other producers, government agencies, suppliers and bankers so that the best decisions can be made for all those involved in and affected by the agricultural industry. Although agriculture faces problems, mutually beneficial solutions can be achieved by all parties if a spirit of cooperation is maintained.

Again, we hope that you make good use of your time and the resources available to you during Agriculture Week. Good luck from all of us in Elk Point.

Yours truly,
 Byron Mann
 Mayor of Elk Point



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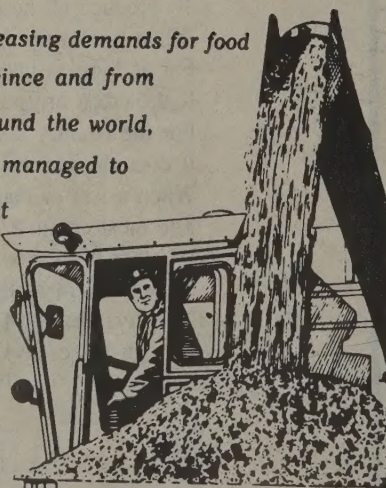


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Prices were low then too

By Pete Andrishak

The other day while browsing through the Fort George Museum, I came across a livestock price list dated December 9, 1932, I thought some people might be interested to know how unbelievably low prices were that year, please note that cows delivered in Edmonton were selling for as little as 25 cents per hundred pounds.

The depression started in 1929 and was to drag on for 10 long years before it came to an end with the start of World War II in 1939. With farm prices at an all time low and with millions of men and women out of work in an era when there was no family allowance or unemployment insurance, it was for many people a time of immense hardships and human misery. It seems almost inconceivable that many people today earn more money in one hour than a hired man working hard on a farm made in a whole month in those days.

It was a traumatic experience to have grown up during this period and no one who lived through the years of the great depression can never ever forget it. Memories come back to haunt you even after 50 or more years.

1932 Farm market prices

Cattle — We have had moderate receipts the past week and all classes of good to choice lightweight butchers sold steady to strong with top baby beef up to 4c and top handyweight steers to 3½c. We sold one load of Christmas beef fed by Paul Gabriel & Son, of Erskine, which averaged 890, at 4c, which is the top of the market to-date. We sold some odd bunches of choice butcher steers averaging around 1000 lbs at 3½ to 3¾c. These were bought for Christmas trade and would not look for these prices to continue in face of Eastern markets being 25 to 50c lower for the week. All classes of rough steers not showing grain are draggy on the market and selling from 1½ to 2¼c according to quality and weights. Extreme top cows up to 2c. Good light heifers 3 to 3½c and heavy kinds 2 to 2½c. Bulls steady at 1c per lb. with new arrivals. Light veal ½c higher with a top of 4c. Heavies and inbetween kinds from 2 to 3c. Light receipts on stockers and holding steady. We look for dull trade in the next two weeks with a lower tendency.

Hogs — Liberal receipts. Hogs sold the forepart of the week at 2.65 to 2.75 and on Thursday the market advanced 15c per cwt. with the truckers going at 2.80 and carlots at 2.90. This was practically due to light deliveries by truck on account of storms. Eastern markets all closing lower and we do not look for these prices to continue unless the Eastern markets show an upward tendency the forepart of the week.

Sheep and Lambs — Light receipts. Choice handyweight lambs up to 4c per lb. We sold one double deck, fed by G.A. Lawson, of Artland, Sask., at 4c. Medium and half-fat lambs are hard sellers and not wanted. Bulk selling at 2½ to 3c with feeders down to 2c.

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Heifers

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Good to choice heifers	\$3.00 to \$3.50
Heavy Heifers	\$1.75 to \$2.25
Fair to medium	\$2.00 to \$2.50
Choice stockers	\$2.50 to \$3.00
Common stockers	\$1.50 to \$2.00

Calves

Choice veal, 125 to 225 lbs.	\$3.50 to \$4.00
Medium veal & heavy	\$2.50 to \$3.00
Heavy stockers, choice	\$2.50 to \$3.00
Medium stockers	\$1.50 to \$2.00

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7 - Roughs, all weights disc	1.50
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8b - All Other Sows disc	1.00
9 - Stags, all wgt. disc	1.60
10 - Cripple, under grade	1.25

Sheep

Choice spring lambs	3.50 to 4.00
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Edmonton Produce September 13

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Number 3 northern	28½
Number 4 northern	26½
Number 5	23½
Number 6	19½
Feed	18½

Oats —	
Number 2 C.W.	13
Number 3 C.W.	10
Ex. No. 1 feed	10
Number 1 feed	8
Number 2 feed	5

Barley —	
Number 3 C.W.	12
Number 4 C.W.	10
Number 5 C.W.	8
Number 6 C.W.	5

Rye —	
Number 2 C.W.	13½
Number 3 C.W.	11½
Number 4 C.W.	7½
Ergot	6½

Flax —	
Number 1 C.W.	57
Number 2 C.W.	53
Number 3 C.W.	43

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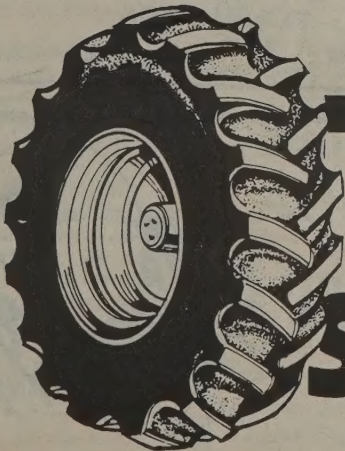
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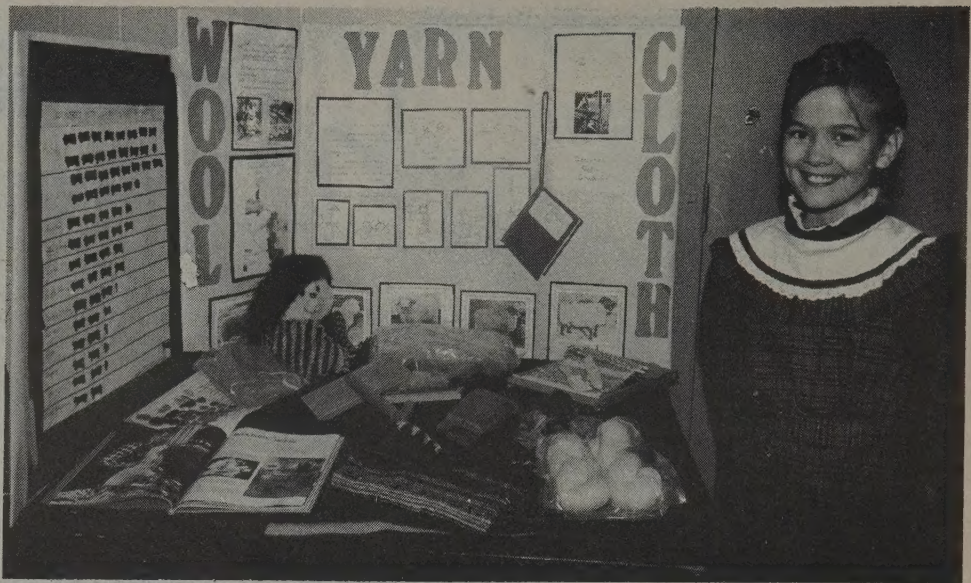
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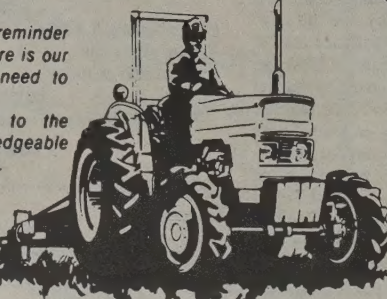
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AGRICULTURE ORIENTED DISPLAY — On wool and wool products was a winner for Dorothea Naber at the Elk Point Elementary Science Fair.

Agriculture Week is a reminder to all of us that agriculture is our basic industry and we need to ensure its profitability.

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Producer car group formed

"With times as difficult as they are, we farmers are forced to look at every available option open to us to improve the returns on our grain," says Gordon Graham, Newdale, Manitoba. "That's one of the reasons there's been such an increase in interest in the use of producer cars."

The use of a producer car allows farmers to load their grain directly into rail cars, consequently saving on the primary elevator tariff. The number of cars applied for by farmers to the end of January stood at over 11,000, and 85 percent increase from last year. In the 85/86 shipping season a total of 4479 producer cars were used. To the end of January in this crop year 3,845 producer cars had been shipped.

"With the projected increase in the use of producer cars, and the resulting loss of revenue to the grain companies, more pressure will be placed on our regulatory institutions to constrict the flow of producer cars," says Mr. Graham. "Until now,

producer car users have never had a unified voice to express their concerns. Policies affecting the use of producer cars have been made with little or no consultation with the farmers who used them."

Mr. Graham, together with interested producer car users, and in co-operation with the prairie canola growers associations, the Flax Growers of Western Canada, the Western Canadian Wheat Growers and the Western Barley Growers Association, have formed a lobby group to ensure that the producer car user's concerns are heard.

"It is particularly important at this time that producer car users have a voice because the Canada Grain Act is undergoing revision," says Mr. Graham. "We need to ensure that the portion of the Act concerning producer cars adequately reflects the rights and needs of producers in the future."

The main undertaking of the

Western Producer Car Group is to commission a study of the producer car from a user's perspective, so that the Group has in hand the facts and figures necessary to document its position when making representations to the appropriate agencies. To fund the study Group is soliciting donations from interested producer car users. A study of this type has never been undertaken before.

"The producer car is an essential part of our grain marketing system," says Mr. Graham. "Even those farmers who don't use producer cars benefit from their presence. Producer cars maintain a level of competition in the system. If the major grain handling companies want to keep the farmer's business then they'll have to provide a competitive alternative to the producer car. In doing so, the whole system becomes more efficient. So really the producer car acts as a much needed check and balance."

Celebrate Agriculture Week — March 8-14

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Pool delegate reports

By Irene Magnusson

Alberta Wheat Pool Delegate Ken Shalka of Fort Kent delivered his annual report to members in Sub-District 608 Elk Point, in an afternoon meeting at the curling rink in Elk Point. Brian Fuller, A.W.P. manager in Elk Point hosted the meeting.

Pool representative D.E. (Dale) Will, of Vermilion, was in attendance, and along with some dozen or so area farmers heard and watched a slide presentation, showing facts and figures of the Pool's past year.

1985/86 was a difficult year, with over-production, price declines and the usual aggravations of drought, insects and rains in harvest time, with ensuing grain-drying necessary. The Pool accommodated 64.3 percent of provincial handlings, but ended with 3.3 percent loss.

Fertilizers and chemical sales were down, seed sales and export sales were up, but the need to cut costs resulted in a reduction of 241 employees from their payrolls, from 1984.

Some elevators were built, but the upkeep of aging buildings is high.

Shalka pointed out that Elk Point is in a very good position, in that respect, as their elevator is quite new. Elevators are aging, he stated, especially in the south, with 156 being in the 51 to 60 year age bracket. (Considered very old, for elevators).

Shalka said the Alberta Food Products plant has been sold to Canada Packers, as it was in a loss position. The canola crushing plant had been shut down for three months. Only some special categories will receive pay-outs this year.

The A.W.P. has again joined Uniform, the umbrella organization, at a cost of some \$32,000 (about \$2.00 per Pool member). Delegates had voted to retain the use of 2-4-D, until

more research has been done, but urged the greatest care in its use. Alberta Crop Insurance should be used by members, with some changes, as insurance, not as a subsidy. Delegates had urged. And since the Pool is not a bank, when borrowings are made, interest will reflect this.

Long-time President of the Pool, Mr. McPherson, has retired in the past year, and five new Delegates have been selected, Shalka said.

Sub-District 608 requires one committee member to represent the area at the 2-day annual meeting. Craig Campbell, sub-district representative, was selected to do this.

An attempt will be made, Shalka said, to ship an entire trainload of barley to the coast terminal. Over 1.5 million tonnes of grain has been shipped to the Prince Rupert terminal in the past year, the report included.

Over-all the report was on a 'down' side, but there are glimmers of hope and all effort is being made to keep the grain rolling, the elevators working to full capacity.

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On the local scene, shipments out of Elk Point A.W.P. are up, mostly barley moving out, estimates of perhaps half the '86 crop still remaining on the farms. Oats have moved better than wheat (much of which is on the tough side), as there is very little demand for wheat. Canola shipments have been fair, with much of it of a low grade. Fertilizers and chemical sales were down last year, but too-early yet to say for 1987.

Hold on lease conversion

The Hon. Don Sparrow, Minister of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife, recently announced a hold on further approvals of applications for grazing lease conversions as recommended by the Task Force of Grazing Lease Conversions. The hold on applications will now cover the entire province. In June 1986, applications in the Central and Southern regions were held until public input could be reviewed.

A task force consisting of seven members, chaired by Jack Campbell, MLA for Rocky Mountain House, was appointed in December 1986. The other members of the Task Force are:

Greg Stevens - Greg is the vice-chairman of the task force, and MLA Banff-Cochrane.

Elmer Kure - Elmer is an ardent sportsman who has served in various capacities with the Alberta Fish and Game Association. He is presently the Alberta representative of Wildlife Habitat Canada. Elmer is a retired farmer living near Dickson, Alberta.

Herman Schwenk - Herman is a member and past director of the Uniform Association and member and past chairman of the Fish and Wildlife Advisory Council. Herman farms near Coronation, Alberta.

Dr. Steven West - MLA, Vermilion-Viking.

Janet Koper - MLA, Calgary-Foothills.

Roy Brassard - MLA, Olds-Didsbury.

A series of seven public meetings were held in January and February to obtain input and comments on the conversion policy.

Since the task force report and the government review of the recommendations will take some time, the hold on application approvals was extended to the entire province.

Bull sale grows yearly

Lakeland College's third annual bull test sale is scheduled for 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 1 at the Vermilion campus.

Approximately 60 bulls, representing ten breeds, will be offered for sale. All are top indexing bulls from the college bull test station: they meet breed association testicle measurements and are brucellosis tested.

At last year's sale, prices averaged \$2,028 on the 54 lots sold. Interested buyers can preview sale animals at the Bull Test Open House on Friday, March 20, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Information is also available by calling the college farm office at 853-8595.

The only college bull test in the province-and the sole test station in northeastern Alberta - the Lakeland facility accommodates approximately 200 bulls. The demand this year forced a draw for entries, and herdman, Sandra Schneider, says producers are well advised to submit early application for next year's test. Entries are accepted starting September 1, and the limit is two bulls per producer. The \$415.00 fee for the 140 day test period covers all feed and medication attention. A board of directors with representation from each breed monitors the testing situation.

A computer program designed by the college's agricultural instructors assists in recordkeeping of average daily gain and weight per day of age. Data is mailed monthly to about 350 people. Agricultural students assist at weigh days, and use the data in class projects.

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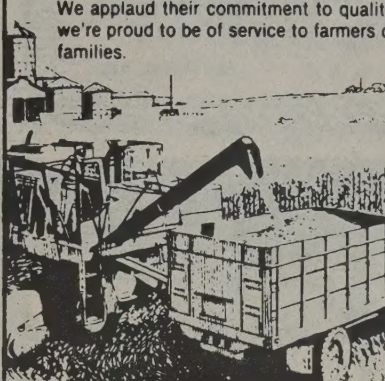


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College open house a regal weekend

If you're looking into post-secondary education, wanting to see the latest in agricultural technology, or just curious about what's new at Lakeland College, plan to attend The Little Royal in Vermilion March 20-22. The entire college will be putting its best foot forward for this annual open house, which features student

displays, special agricultural shows and demonstrations.

The Little Royal name -- a spin-off of Toronto's famed Royal Winter Fair -- will be well recognized by anyone familiar with the college when it was known as the Vermilion School of Agriculture. For more than 30 years the open house was the finest tradition of the school; it was revived last year with a focus on agriculture.

This year's Little Royal, with the theme of "technology and tradition",

combines its agricultural heritage with displays from today's very diverse and sophisticated technological programs -- including business, early childhood development, environmental sciences, drafting and interior design, and trades. Admissions information as well as services such as recreation, alumni, the learning assistance centre, and student housing will also be featured.

The Vermilion Campus has undergone a massive facelift in the

past five years. New buildings include a residence complex, trades centre, academic building, riding arena, gym expansion, dairy, artificial insemination centre and bull test station.

Displays, campus tours and farmstead tours run Friday afternoon from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., and again on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

More information on The Little Royal can be obtained from the college at 853-8400.



Hard work and high technology are the keys to today's success in farming. We're delighted to be able to serve this major industry in our community. Urban and rural people, working together, have established a stable economy in this area. We show our appreciation by observing Agriculture Week March 8-14, 1987.

United Grain Growers Ltd.

PAUL EWASIUK, Agent
Phone 724-3640 Elk Point, Alta.

Letters to Agriculture Minister Wise

Dear Mr. Wise:

I'm a Saskatchewan hog producer. A little while back I was visiting the Saskatoon Swine Test Station and saw for the first time a Red Wattle boar. I would like more information on this breed.

Dear H.L.:

Once common in the wilds of Texas, the Red Wattle hog nearly became extinct at the turn of the century. Red in color, the hogs have dangling appendages, or wattles, under their pendages, or jowls. Hence their name. This past summer, two boars became the first of their kind to visit an Agriculture Canada test station.

H.L., Saskatoon, Sask. We're particularly interested in them because of their size compared to Canada. A Red Wattle hog can weigh

up to 800 kilograms compared to the 'average' Canadian hog's potential of 500 kilograms.

Dear Mr. Wise:

I heard on the radio that you may discontinue the Farm Improvement Loans Program. I want to voice my opposition to this.

J.J., Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear J.J.:

I want to assure you we are not discontinuing the Farm Improvement Loans Program. In fact, the current program has been extended recently.

I recognize the important role the Farm Improvement Loans Act (FILA) has played since its passage in 1945. Through FILA the federal government guarantees intermediate-term loans to farmers for the purposes of buying equipment or improving their operations.

In 1985, about 12,000 loans worth \$165 million were guaranteed under the program.

Dear Mr. Wise:

I am planning for the upcoming spring. Is crop insurance worth the investment?

A Young Farmer

Dear Young Farmer:

Like you, many farmers are debating whether they should invest in crop insurance. I think it's a bargain. In the three Prairie provinces, half the total premium is paid for by the Government of Canada. All administrative costs are paid for by the provinces.

Crop insurance remains a vital tool for farmers, offering protection from crop losses caused by natural hazards.

For the 1986-87 crop year, some 97,250 prairies farmers took out crop insurance on 16 million hectares. I expect these numbers to increase too. The federal government and the three prairie governments have joined in offering enhanced coverage for farmers in designated areas that experienced widespread crop losses in 1984 and 1985.

Also, forage livestock feed security insurance will be available this year.

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Letter to the editor

Agriculture, agribusiness contribute

Dear Editor:

The week of March 9, 1987 marks Agriculture Week, a period set aside to review the contributions which the agricultural industry makes to the economic fabric of our province.

Big Deal, you say?

It's a fact! Agriculture and agribusiness contribute billions to our provincial economy through a wide range of activity that includes everything from growing crops and livestock to packing your groceries at a supermarket.

One of every three Albertans is involved in some facet of the industry. Think about it. Food consumption aside, agricultural activity includes production, processing, packaging, transportation, legal and financial services, veterinary services, communications (media, telephones, computers), marketing consultants, wholesale and retail facilities, and all the people who provide these services.

Combine all these activities and you have Big Business. Taken as small units, however, they provide the essence of small business in Alberta.

The partial list also emphasizes the fact that many enterprises are dependent on the basic food producer. It follows that if primary producers are in difficulty so are the businesses that service them.

So why "celebrate" Agriculture Week when it seems many farmers are in serious financial difficulty? Because many farmers are not in financial jeopardy. And even though some segments of the industry are in trouble, that does not mean agriculture as an industry, is dead.

After all, we all need to put food on our tables and the farmers and ranchers will continue to produce to meet a good portion of our needs.

One of the bright spots in food production in Alberta shines on the processing and packaging segment. Many entrepreneurs are looking for new products, new packaging and new methods of merchandising the food you find on your supermarket shelves.

Beef processors are packing new cuts and stressing lean and easy ways to prepare dishes, taking into account the consumers' preferences.

The dairy producers are developing new products and new packaging to lure customers into buying more health oriented products. The

"feather" producers are giving consumers more choices in how to prepare eggs, poultry and other fowl dishes. The pork producers are exploring new ways of promoting their products. And the list goes on.

Consumers can be assured that the food production industry, which is agriculture, is constantly on the alert to buying trends and preferences, new packaging techniques, and new and quicker methods of food preparation. The "bottom line" is that more consumers have less time to prepare meals and want smaller portions available. The consumer also wants to be assured that all food produced in Alberta is good food and not detrimental to their health and well being.

During Agriculture Week you will read and hear many good news stories about how the industry is keeping in tune with consumers' needs. The industry will not rest on its laurels. And that's the predominant theme of Agriculture Week - Partners In Progress. Agaware, the Agricultural Awareness Institute, is proud to play a lead role in the promotion of agricultural awareness.

Reuben Hamm
President, Agaware

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Obituary for the family farm

By National Farmers Union

We mourn the passing of the family farm of Western Canada (1886 - 1986).

Conceived in the despair of famine, political strife and diminishing potential of the old world, the family farm was born in Western Canada, which presented itself as a land of hope, promise and opportunity.

The early years were physically hard, but the rewards were good and the family farm waxed strong in the rich soil and freedom of the new land. Indeed, the family farm provided the base upon which the entire country grew. From it came the food for nourishment; its sons and daughters came the work force for the factories. From them and their progeny developed the towns and cities and the farm itself became a market for the produce of the urban centres.

During the 1930's, times became increasingly hard and the family farm was predeceased by its little brother as a combination of factors including poor weather, poor markets and zealous predation by bankers. However, it emerged from these years scarred but determined and once again flourished and grew. The businesses and supply-side ventures which depended on the farm grew too. Many became wealthy. Many jobs were provided, servicing the needs of the farm.

By the 1970's enthusiasm for farm-

ing knew no bounds. There was new technology, big shiny equipment, expanding land bases, speculation by outsiders, and increased efficiency and production - it was wonderful.

Of course, all this took money. One cannot be a modern and efficient producer without it. So, the fathers and mothers and daughters and sons of the family farm began to borrow lots of money. The politicians and scientists told them that they had to be efficient to survive. The people selling equipment, chemicals, lumber, fertilizer and other inputs needed lots of money to sustain their businesses. The managers of the family farm wanted to keep increasing their yields. The bankers said it would be no problem to pay the money back. The government said that interest rates had to be high or there would be trouble on Bay Street.

But then, in the 1980's, interest rates soared, the prices received for farm products began to plummet and the family farm took sick. Many experts offered solutions. Some said that if it cost more for the farmers to ship their produce it would help. It didn't. Some said that fuel and natural gas taxes could be removed. The patient rallied but had a relapse when the base cost of fuel and fertilizer increased and nullified the effect of the removal of the taxes. Several band-aids and a poultice were applied. The farmer himself said that high interest rates, coupled

with the fact that in real terms, prices for his produce had dropped to the lowest in history, were the root cause of its wasting away. Farm organizations appealed to both the federal and provincial governments for a reduction in interest rates to ease the burden that was sucking the life from the farm, but they said it was impossible.

After the debilitating harvests of 1984 and 1985, followed by predictions of a 25% drop in grain prices for 1986, the family farm was diagnosed as being totally bereft of profit. With hope now gone, the family farm died in the spring of 1986. Foul play was suspected but no investigation is planned.

It is ever remembered and sadly missed by many dependents: schools, organizations, small towns, hardware stores, grocery outlets, equipment companies, fertilizer and chemical companies, and a large number of farm input suppliers and industries, as well as millions of consumers who had enjoyed cheap food.

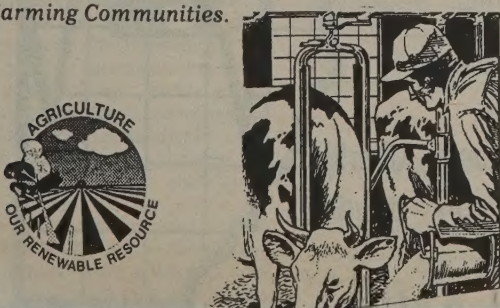
It is survived by the Farm Credit Corporation, various provincial lending agencies and the banks, none of which revealed emotion as they divided up the assets of the deceased.

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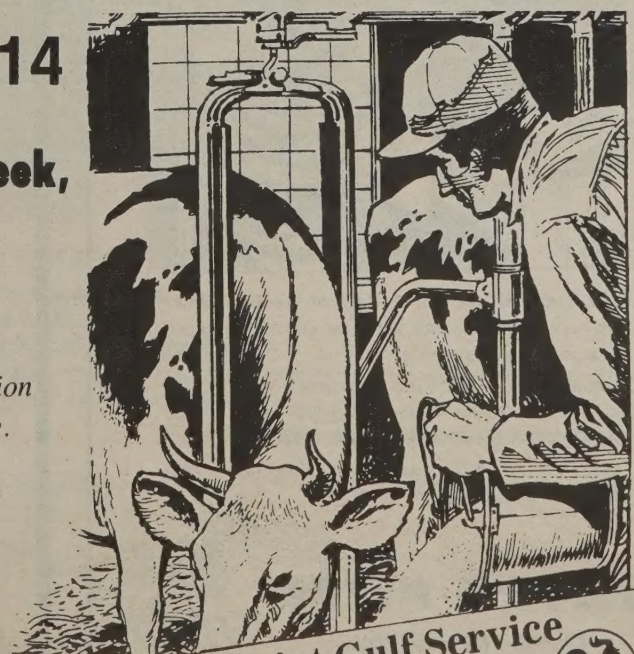
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Joseph Gaugler, Elena Drobot, Mary Gaugler and Sandi Krucik.

4-H MultiClub speaks out

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club held their annual public speaking competition Sunday afternoon, with five junior speakers and four seniors taking part.

Elena Drobot placed first in the Junior division, with a prepared speech on her adventures at Expo '86,

and an impromptu speech on "Relatives". Runner-up was Joseph Gaugler, with a speech entitled "Is Winning Everything?", about school basketball competition, and an impromptu speech on "My First Bike Ride".

Other junior speakers were Dale Pinder, who spoke on "My Thrill of A

Lifetime" and "Sisters". Rhonda Pinder, speaking about her holiday in Disneyland and "If I Won A Million Dollars", and Jodi Vogel, telling of her visit to Battle Lake 4-H Camp and her impressions of Christmas.

Mary Gaugler spoke in praise of praise and positive feedback in her prepared speech, "A Better Way", which along with an impromptu on "Happiness", won her the first prize in the Senior division. Sandi Krucik told of her school trip to Europe and of her relationship with 4-H to place second.

Sandra Kyncl, speaking on "Drug Abuse" and "High School Dropouts", and Corey Vogel, speaking on Camp Goldeye and "TV Rules My Life", completed the senior portion of the program.

The speakers were judged by Mrs. Gabrielle Bayduza, Mrs. Irene Miller, and Paul Higgins, and were timed by Vicki Brooker. Leanne Drobot of the Elk Point 4-H Beef Club was the charming Mistress of Ceremonies for the afternoon. Club leader Ruth Vogel presented the trophies on behalf of the club, to the winners.

The agriculture industry in this area consistently has been among the best in the province. It has been instrumental in maintaining the stable economy we have enjoyed in spite of the vagaries of the weather and other problems that occur during the growing season.

We celebrate Agriculture Week with pride in the accomplishments of our farmer neighbors and friends.



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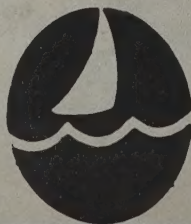
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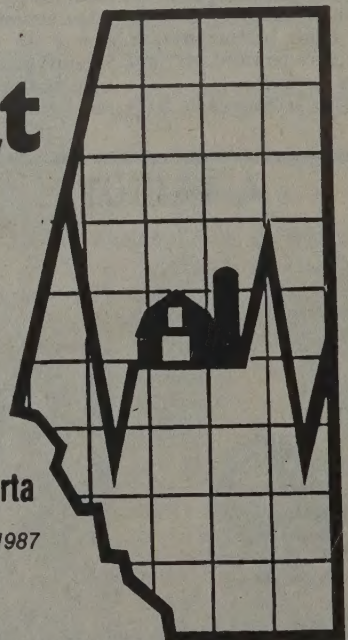
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Surface Rights President's report

By Alban Bugej

This past year, since our last annual meeting of February 26th, 1986 has been the least eventful in the history of the Elk Point Surface Rights Association.

Hardly any oil or gas explorations activities took place in our areas and the Association is not aware of any of our members being adversely impacted by any new drillings.

A number of leases were renewed both with the major oil companies and with other local operators such as the Canadian Salt Co. We are pleased to report that both renewals that were negotiated and others which had to be decided through a Surface Rights Board hearing, proved to be satisfactory to our members. Annual payments of around \$2500 are now common. This is a substantial improvement from the \$1100 being paid during 1979 when some of the local landowners decided to organize this Association.

Taking advantage of the lull in activities, your Association together with the rest of the surface rights movement are having a hard look at the legislation that governs the interactions between surface owners and mineral operators. The shortcoming of the present Surface Rights Act are a concern to all of us. It is a weak act which is leaving itself open to different interpretations by the Surface Rights Board and the courts. It is the intention of the Alberta Surface Rights Federation to continue to pressure the Associate Minister of Agriculture, the Hon. Shirley Cripps, being the minister responsible for surface rights, to implement some revisions. To this purpose a meeting with the Associate Minister already took place and another is being planned.

Here in north eastern Alberta, besides the general concern of adequate compensation, we have to contend with the high concentration of well sites and the protection and conservation of the agricultural potential of the land. In this area this must be considered as the dominant issue.

To this extend the Elk Point Surface Rights Association together with the Heavy Crude Council are working to have the provincial government put in place an Agricultural Resources Conservation Board with similar power as those enjoyed by the ERCB, but charged with the orderly management of the land use of Alberta.

The recommendation for the provincial government to implement an Agricultural Resources Conservation Board was put forward by the Environment Council of Alberta in its report on maintaining and expanding the land base of Alberta.

The Elk Point Surface Right Association is particularly keen on the implementation of such an agricultural board and is seeking every avenue open to it to promote this recommendation. To this end the EPSRA has just written to the Northern Alberta Development Council seeking adoption and support of this issue.

The EPSRA and its lawyers always had difficulty with the timing, short notices and inadequate time for preparation for ERCB hearings.

This problem became more evident during the Dome hearing of November 1985. The Board refused to postpone the hearing till after harvest and the EPSRA and the principal interveners had no other alternative but to withdraw from the hearing. In so doing we feel we were denied our rights to intervene and be heard. The principal interveners in this case are pursuing this matter in the courts and now a leave of appeal is being sought to the Supreme Court of Canada. The EPSRA has continuously supported our impacted members in their pursuit of this case through the Courts of Alberta and now that the case is going to the supreme Court, the EPSRA is applying for an intervenor status to the hearing if and when the case is

heard by the highest court of Canada.

In spite of the quiet times we are experiencing in the oil activities of the area, your directors are not idle. One area which has occupied our time has been the compensation for high power transmission lines. One of these lines eligible for compensation pass through this area and a number of landowners expressed concern about the rate of compensation being offered by Alberta Power. It is the position of the Elk Point Surface Rights Association that compensation per pole basis is not adequate. Annual compensation should be paid for the use of right of way. Another area which occupied our time was the

renewal of compensation of old leases which were taken before 1972. This was the first year these leases became eligible for review under the present Surface Rights Act. In this context our members had some interesting experiences dealing with the junior operators in the area such as Canadian Salt and Elk Point Gas.

Although as I said earlier this was not one of the busy years, thanks should be given to all the directors for their cooperation and dedication in pursuing the work of the Association. Once again it gave me great satisfaction to serve as your president and am looking forward to continue to serve the Association and the community.



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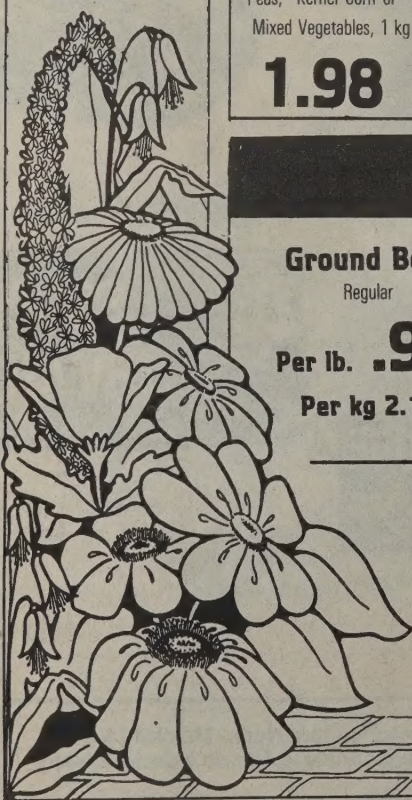
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